MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE, ARKANSAS HELD IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF CITY HALL ON JUNE 12, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT AND PRESIDING: Mayor Mark Simpson, City Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Blackard and City Attorney Bruce Wilson.

ALDERMEN PRESENT: Edward Bradley, Heather Johnston, Eddie King, Danna Schneider, Judy Weaver and Freeman Wish.

Alderman King made a motion to approve the Agenda with the deletion of e) Authorization to proceed with condemnation for the Clark Road Project and the addition of h) Ordinance to Waive Bid requirements for the Purchase of Materials for Utility Relocation for the Clark Road Project and i) U of O Offer to purchase property which Alderman Weaver seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Alderman Schneider made a motion to approve the Minutes which Alderman Bradley seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

NEW BUSINESS

Adjust the Street Department Budget \$3,800.00 for the purchase of an edger

Alderman Wish made a motion to adjust the Street Department Budget in the amount of \$3,800.00 for the purchase of an edger which Alderman King seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Ordinance to approve rezone of property located at 709 ½ N. College from R-1 to R-3

Mayor Simpson introduced an Ordinance to be entitled: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING RECOMMENDED AMENDMENT TO THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP FOR THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE, ARKANSAS. The Clerk read the Ordinance. The Mayor declared the Ordinance open for discussion. Alderman Wish made a motion to approve the Ordinance which Alderman King seconded. Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Ordinance No. 17-782 passed 6-0.

Ordinance amending Section 13.04.01 and 13.04.02 of Chapter 13.04 of the Municipal Code

Mayor Simpson introduced an Ordinance to amend Chapter 13.04 of the Municipal Code. The Clerk read the Ordinance. The Mayor declared the Ordinance open for discussion. Alderman Schneider question the Section 13.04.01 which reads no more than three (3) of said members shall hold any elective or appointed office. Mayor Simpson stated the Ordinance was per State Statute. Alderman Schneider made a motion to table until July which Alderman Weaver seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish

Ordinance Transferring Administration of Retirement Coverage for the Clarksville Firemen's Pension and Relief Fund to Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System

Simpson introduced an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING ADMINISTRATION OF RETIREMENT COVERAGE FOR ELIGIBLE MEMBERS OF THE CLARKSVILLE FIRE PENSION AND RELIEF FUND TO THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LOPFI) AND AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN IRREVOCABLE AGREEMENT WITH LOPFI. The clerk read the Ordinance in its entirety. The Mayor declared the Ordinance open for discussion. Roderick Weaver stated the Firemen's Pension Board had passed a Resolution to assign administration of the Local Plan to the Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System (LOPFI) and asked the Council to approve the Ordinance transferring Administration of the Local Fund to LOPFI. Alderman Bradley made a motion to approve the Ordinance which Alderman Wish seconded. Upon the clerks calling the roll the following vote was recorded:

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Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider and Wish

Alderman Weaver abstained. Ordinance No. 17-780 passed 5-0.

Alderman King made a motion to approve the emergency clause on the Ordinance which Alderman Schneider seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider and Wish

Alderman Weaver abstained. Motion passed 5-0.

Approve funds for engineering fees for the Bridge, funds for miscellaneous costs

Morgan Barrett explained that funding that was approved for the Clark Road Project in 2016 had not been carried over into 2017 and requested the 2017 Street Improvement Budget be adjusted by \$113,000.00 to cover costs. Alderman Schneider made a motion to adjust the 2017 Street Improvement Budget by \$113,000.00 which Alderman Bradley seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish

Change Order for the New Fire Station

Fire Chief Clark Gray explained that the Vent-a-hood Ansul system was not included in the bid and requested a change in the amount of \$7,349.54 to reflect the expenditure. Alderman King made a motion to approve the Change Order for the Western Millwright Services which Alderman Johnston seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Ordinance to Waive Bid Requirements for the Purchase of Materials for Utility Relocation for the Clark Road Project

Mayor Simpson introduced an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE TO WAIVE BID REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PURCHSE OF MATERIALS FOR UTILITY RELOCATION FOR THE CLARK ROAD PROJECT. The Clerk read the Ordinance in its entirety. The Mayor declared the Ordinance open for discussion. Alderman Schneider made a motion to approve the Ordinance which Alderman Bradley seconded. Upon the clerk's calling the roll the following vote was recorded:

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Ord. No. 17-781

Alderman Schneider made a motion to approve the Emergency Clause which Alderman Johnston seconded. Vote aye: Alderman Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

University of the Ozarks Proposal to purchase all of the property the City of Clarksville owns within the borders of University Street, College Avenue, Johnson Street, and Walnut Street.

Richard Dunsworth, President of the University of the Ozarks spoke on behalf of the University stating the University had originally been deeded the property from Charles Eubanks in October 1929. The University later gave land to the State to build the Armory located on the property. The Armory and the surrounding property was later donated to the City of Clarksville and the Street, Parks and Maintenance buildings were constructed around the Armory. The University would phase in occupying the space. The feasibility study would be completed. Kay Bagsby spoke and stated that she wanted what was best for the City, if the property was sold what would happen to the Alston legacy? Alderman Wish stated the legacy of Sonny Alston would be carried on. Alderman Schneider made a motion to accept the appraised value of \$564,000.00 which Alderman Weaver seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

Alderman Schneider made a motion to pay up to \$5,000.00 from the Community Projects fund for the city portion of the Rehabilitation Feasibility Study for the Clarksville Armory which Alderman Bradley seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Schneider, Weaver and Wish.

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Reports

Advertising & Promotion

Judy Weaver reported the A&P commission had taken out an ad in Living in Arkansas and thanked Tom Cogan and the Parks Department for the pictures and work they put into the add.

Airport

Jim Looney reported the grant for the lighting project at the Airport had been received, but trees would need to be removed on both ends of the airport because they were growing into the Air space.

Economic Development

Kellie Danielson, Chamber CEO submitted the monthly report (copy attached) and reminded the council of the June 20th work session at 5:30.

Fire

Fire Chief Clark Gray reported the Fire Department had completed the ISO survey last week but the insurance companies would not receive publication for 4 to 6 months. The monthly report was submitted (copy attached).

Light & Water

Light & Water monthly report was submitted (copy attached).

Parks

Parks and Rec monthly report was submitted (copy attached).

Police

Police Chief Kevin Weathers submitted the monthly report (copy attached).

Street

Morgan Barrett submitted the monthly report (copy attached).

Treasurer

Treasurer's Report, Budget Comparison and Disbursements were submitted along with the financials.

After motion being made and seconded the meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Mayor Mark Simpson

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Blackard